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INTRODUCTION TO FINGERSTYLE GUITAR

Fingerstyle (a.k.a. fingerpicking) is a guitar technique that means you literally pick the strings with your right-hand fingers and thumb. This contrasts with the conventional technique of strumming and playing single notes with a pick (a.k.a. flatpicking). For fingerpicking, you can use any type of guitar: acoustic steel-string, nylon-string classical, or electric.

THE RIGHT HAND

The most common right-hand position is shown here.

Use a high wrist; arch your palm as if you were holding a ping-pong ball. Keep the thumb outside and away from the fingers, and let the fingers do the work rather than lifting your whole hand.



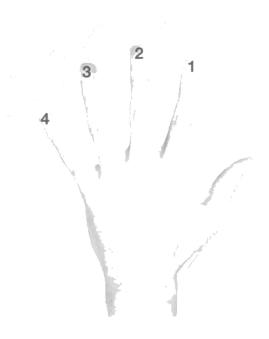
The thumb generally plucks the bottom strings with downstrokes on the left side of the thumb and thumbnail. The other fingers pluck the higher strings using upstrokes with the fleshy tip of the fingers and fingernails. The thumb and fingers should pluck one string per stroke and not brush over several strings.

Another picking option you may choose to use is called hybrid picking (a.k.a. plectrum-style fingerpicking). Here, the pick is usually held between the thumb and first finger, and the three remaining fingers are assigned to pluck the higher strings.

THE LEFT HAND

The left-hand fingers are numbered 1 through 4.

Be sure to keep your fingers arched, with each joint bent; if they flatten out across the strings, they will deaden the sound when you fingerpick. As a general rule, let the strings ring as long as possible when playing fingerstyle.



Is this really were we want to go greenmeanie?
Why do you want to steal my work greenmeanie?
Why do you want to ruin my work with watermarks so you can't steal my work greenmeanie?
Why can't you just post my work without saying it's yours greenmeanie?
Why do you erase my 'sig' and add your 'sig' and claim my work as your greenmeanie?

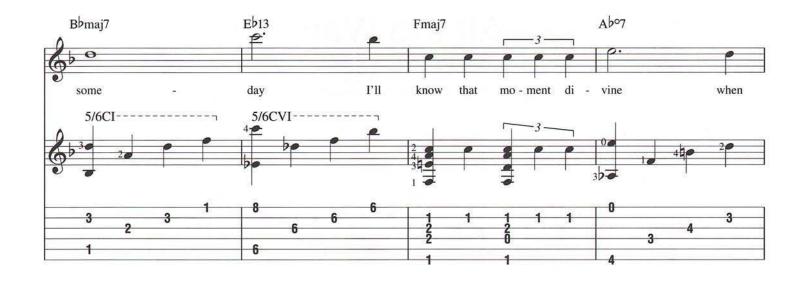
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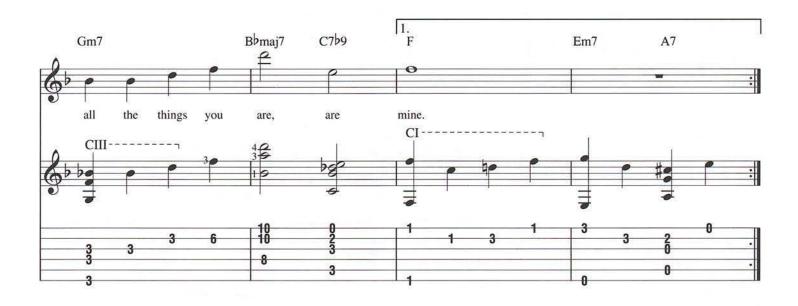
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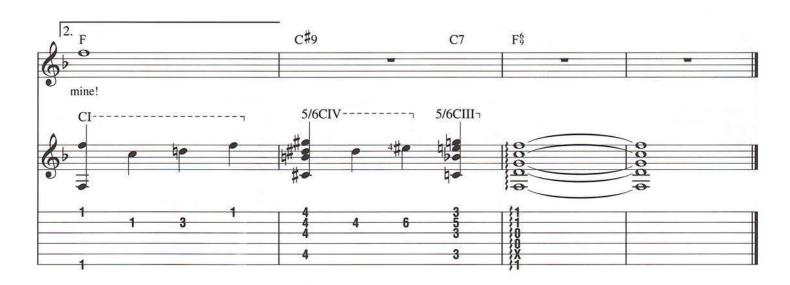
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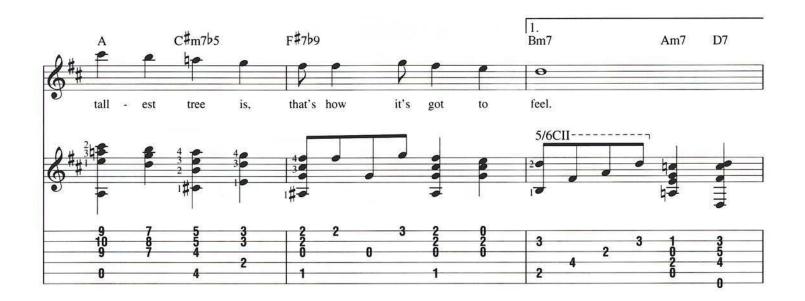


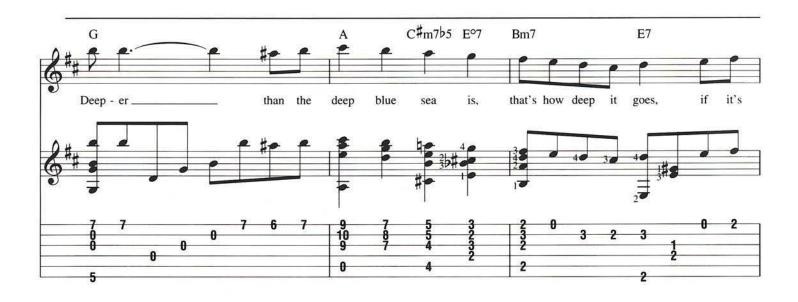
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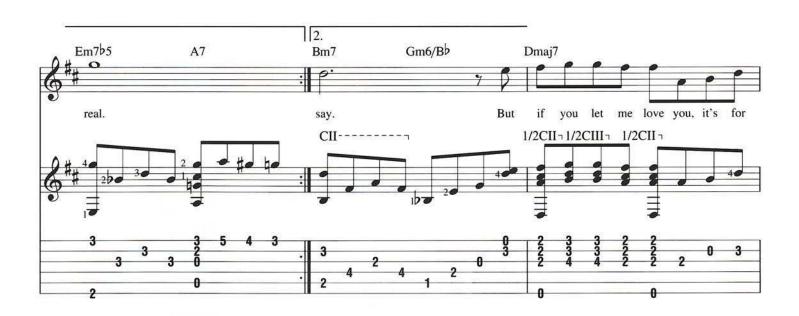
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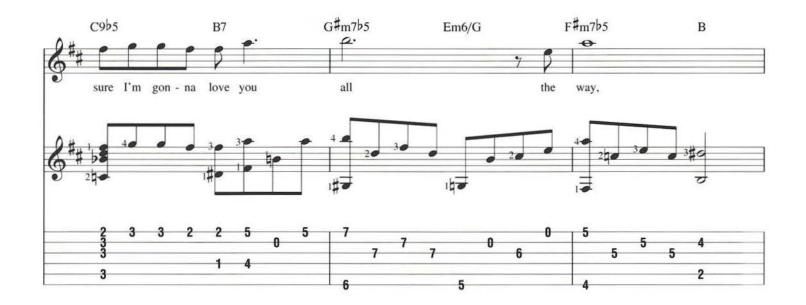
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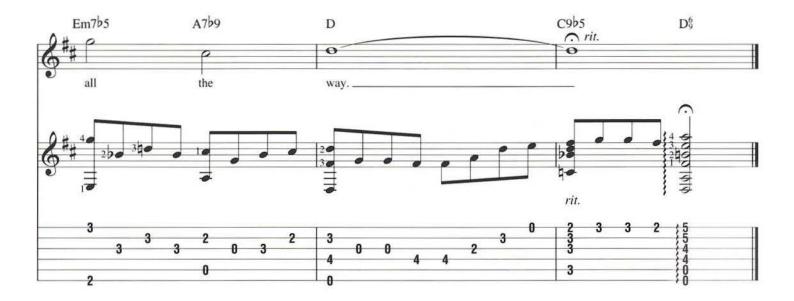












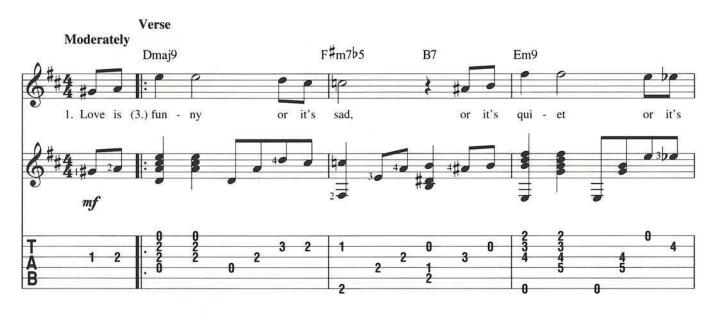
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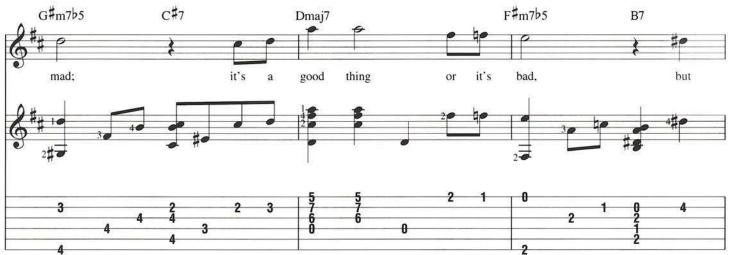
2. When somebody needs you,
It's no good unless he needs you all the way.
Through the good or lean years
And for all those in between years, come what may.
Who knows where the road will lead us,
Only a fool would say.
But if you let me love you,
It's for sure I'm gonna love you all the way,
All the way.

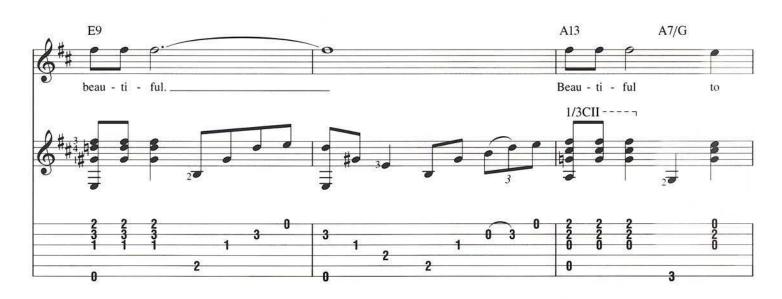
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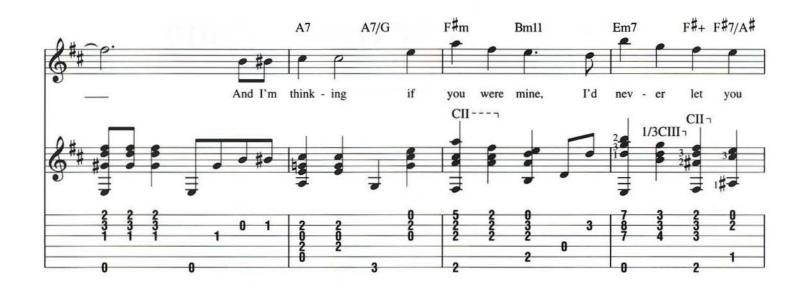
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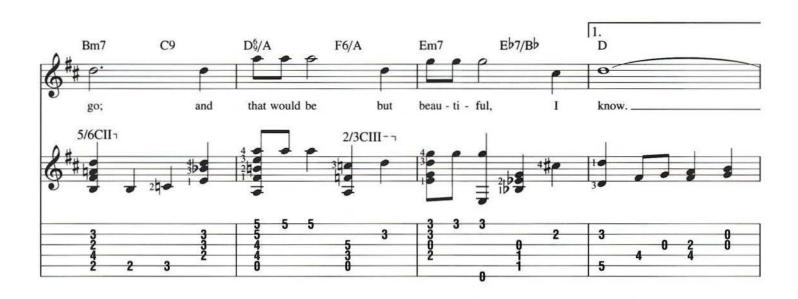
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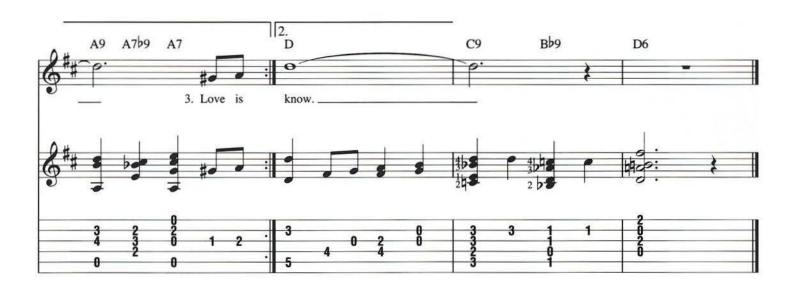
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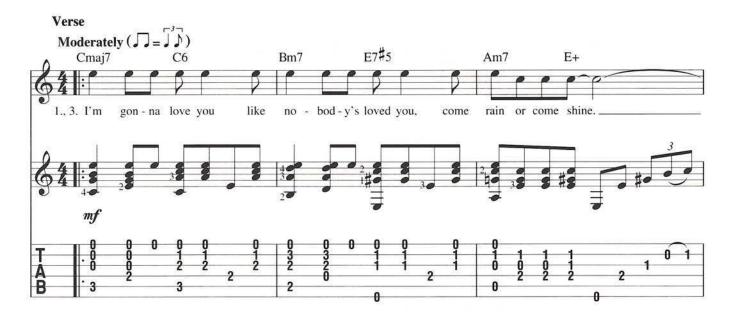


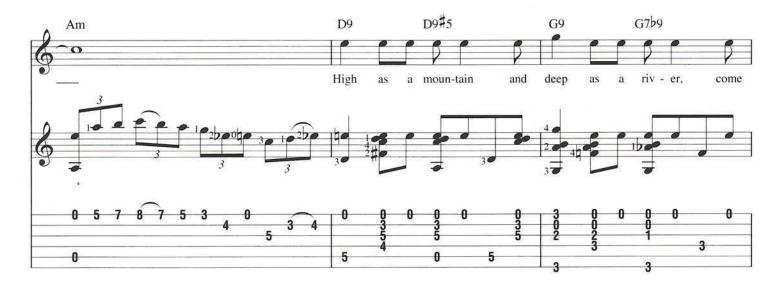


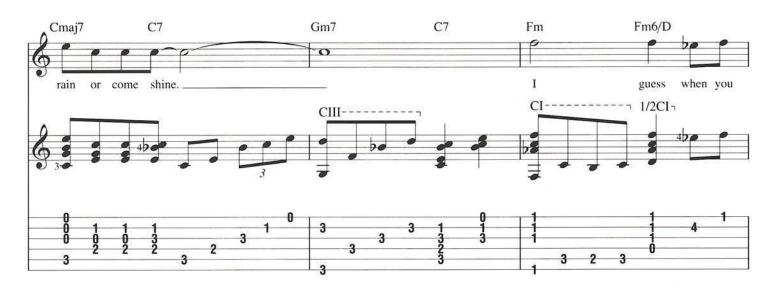


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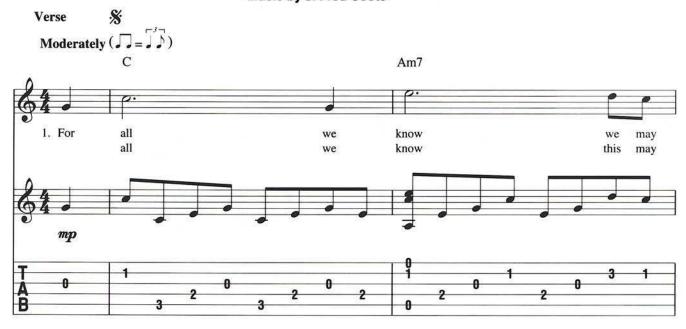


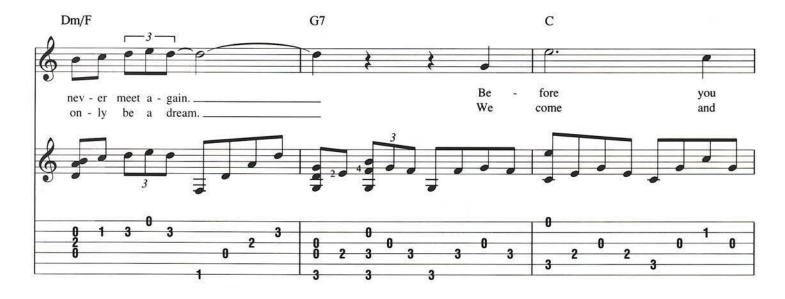


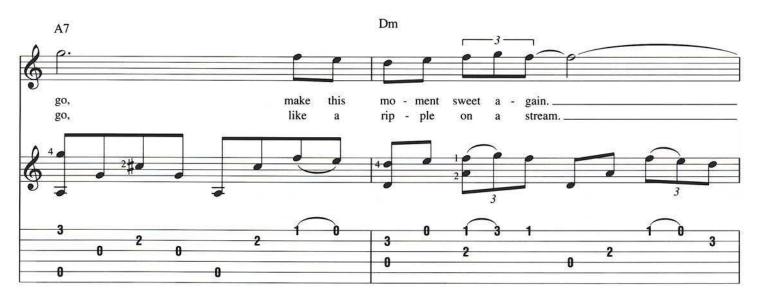


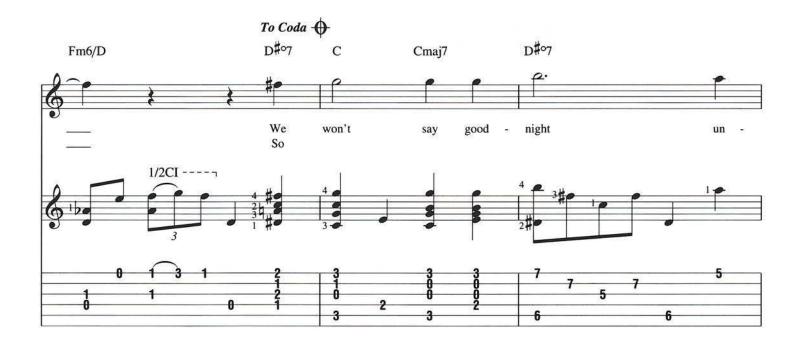
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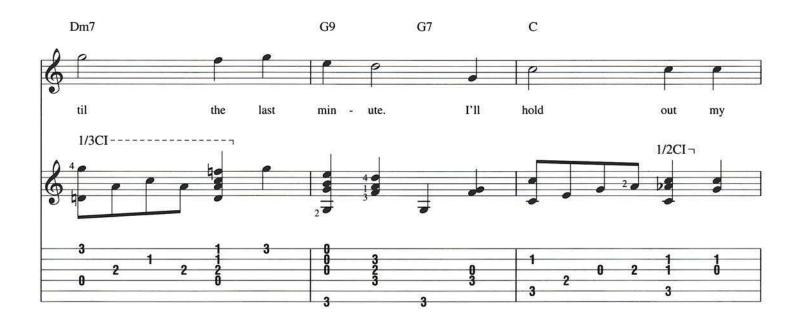
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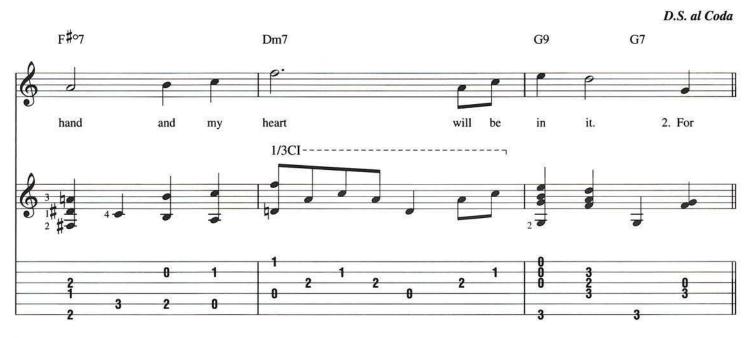


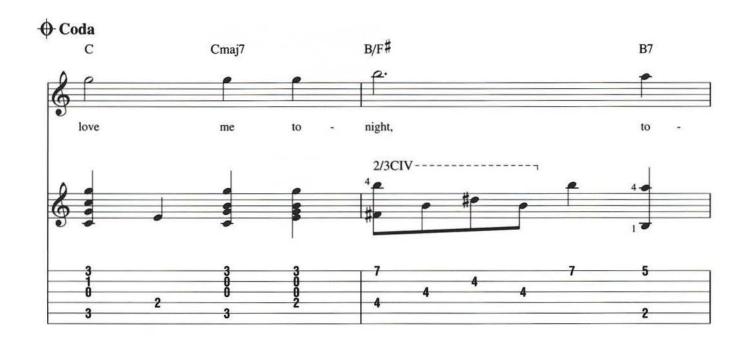


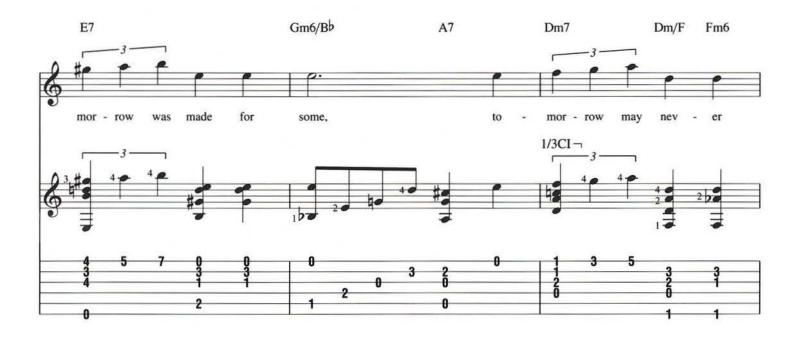


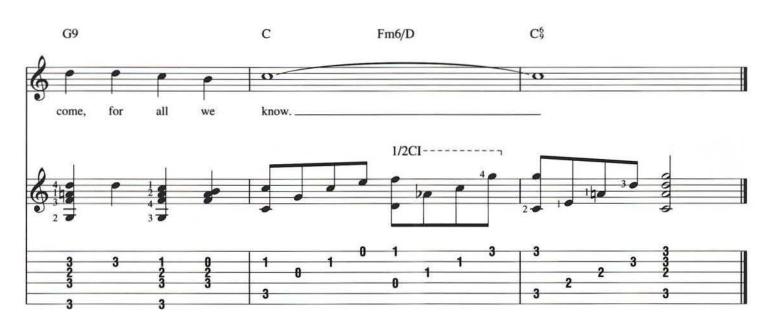












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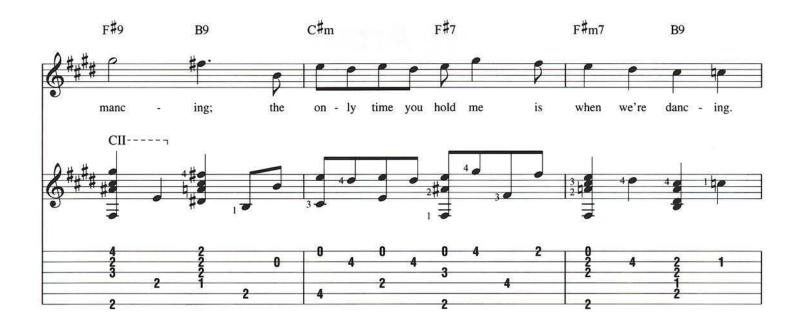
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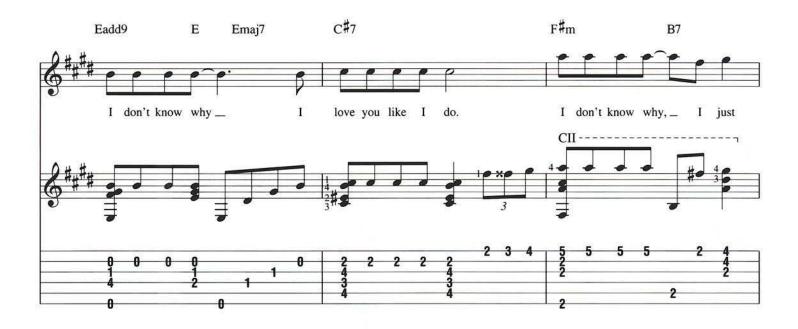


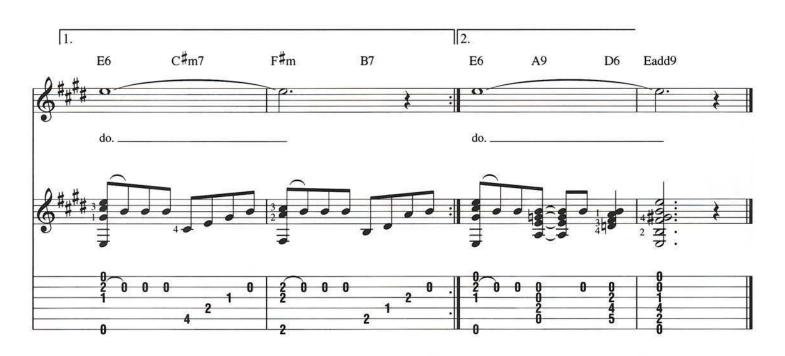
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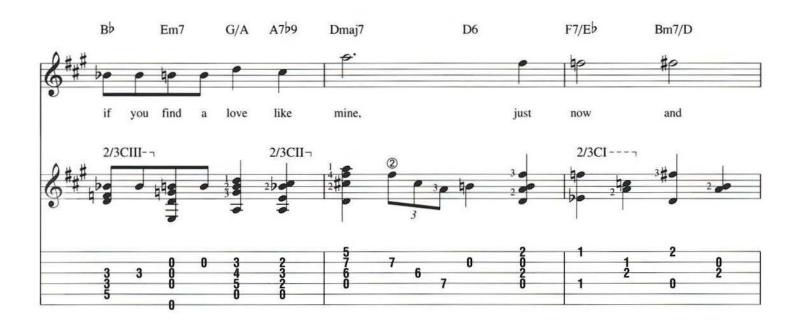
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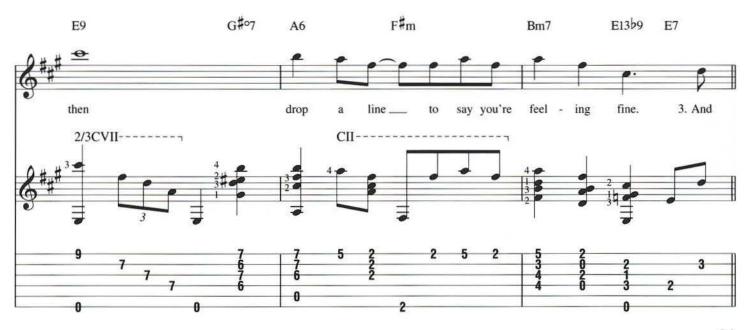
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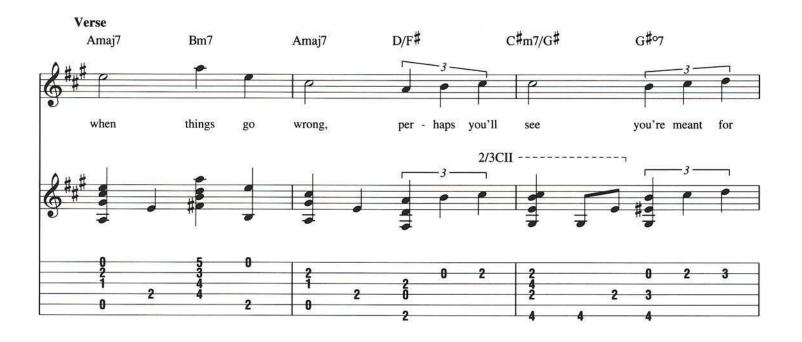


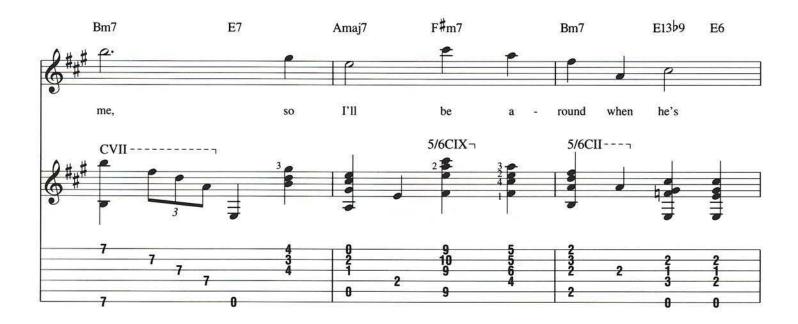
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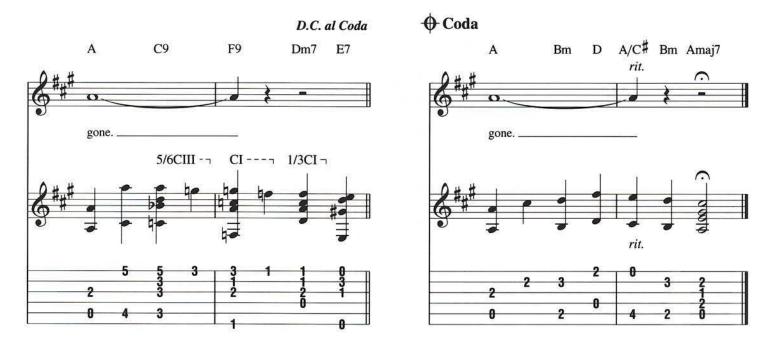








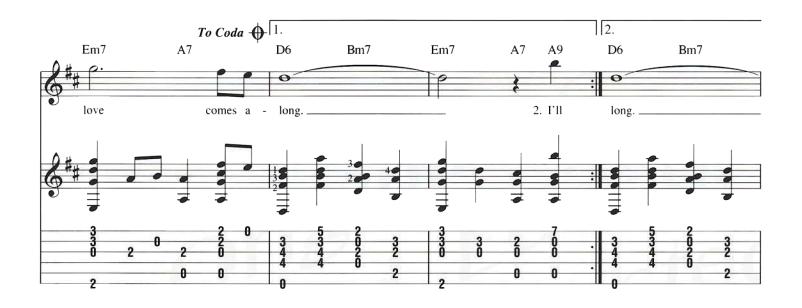


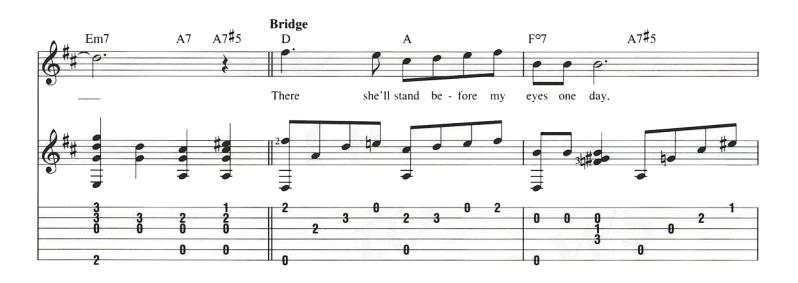


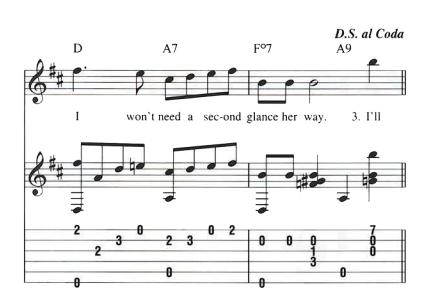
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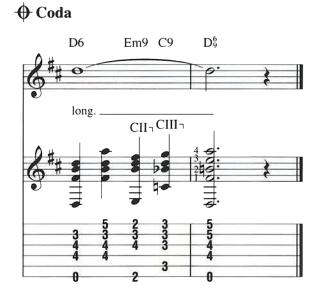










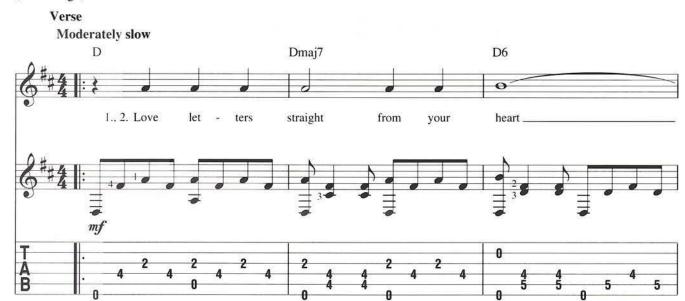


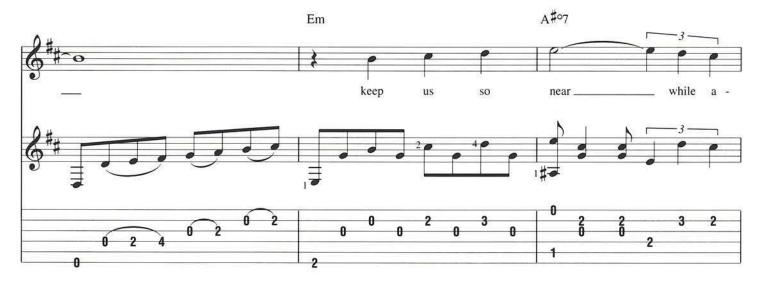
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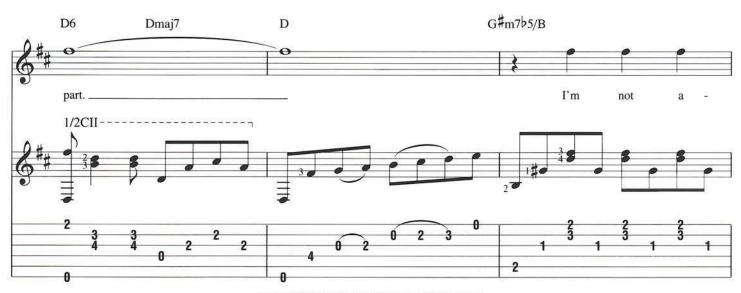
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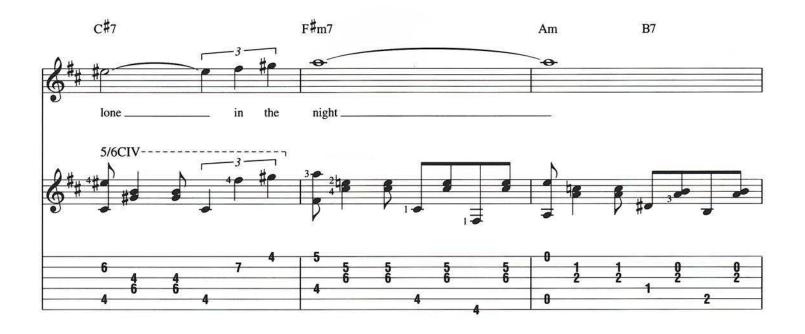
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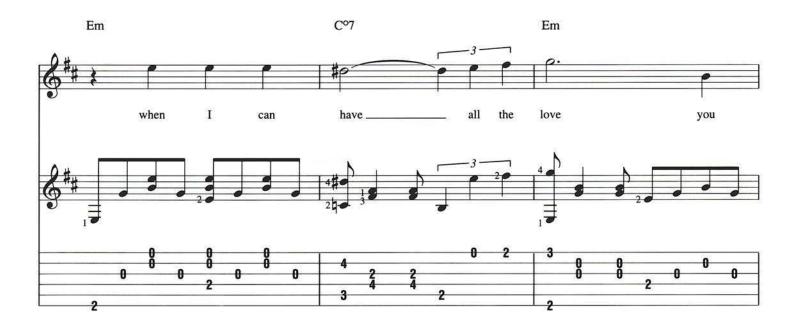


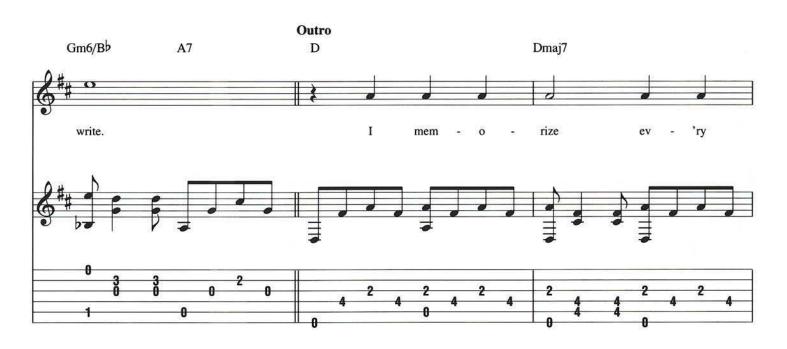


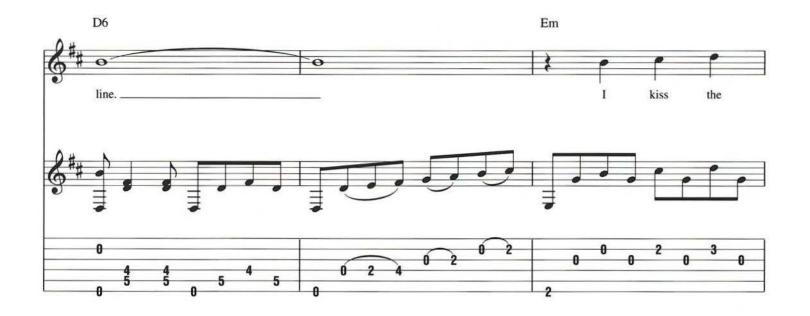


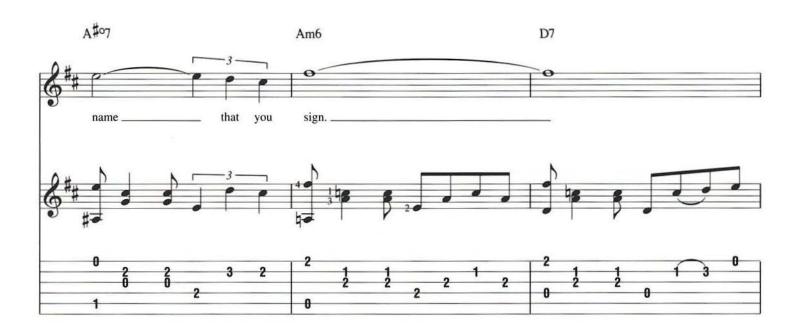
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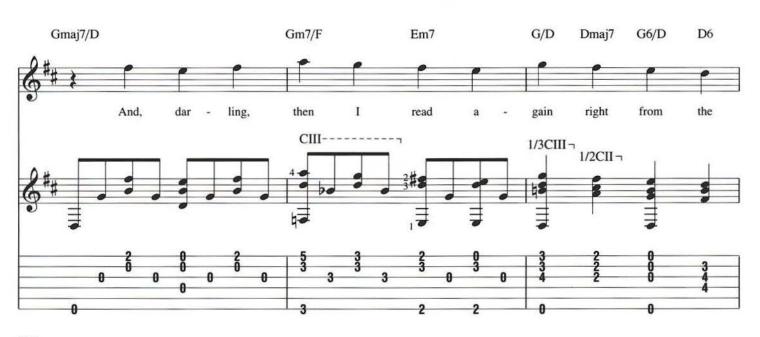


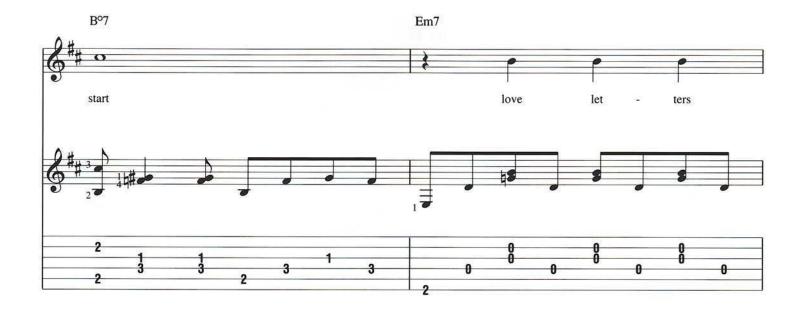


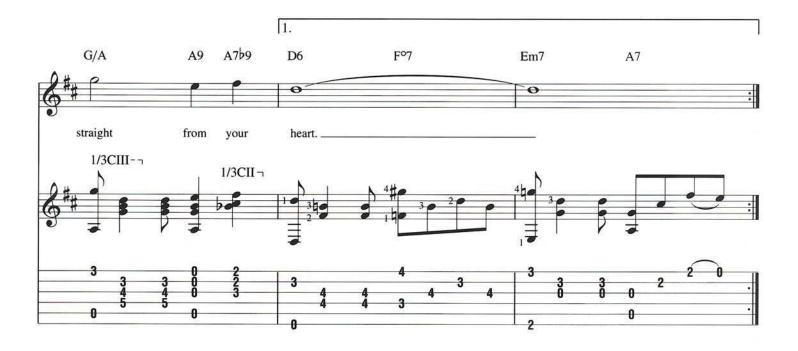


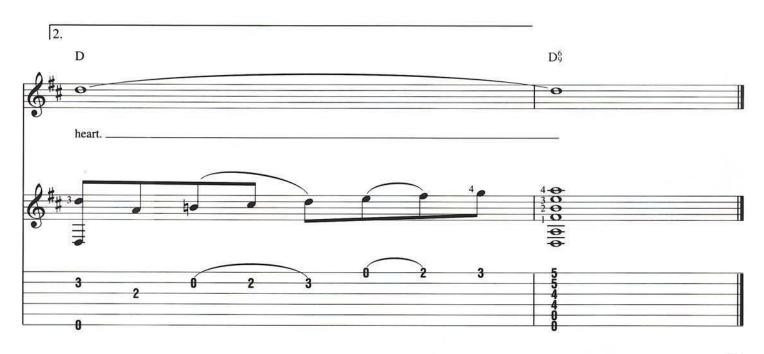










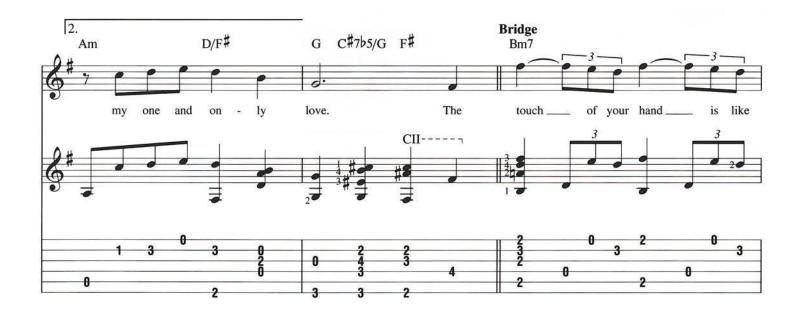


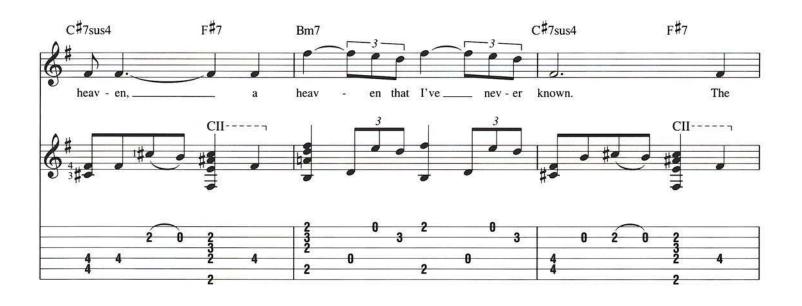
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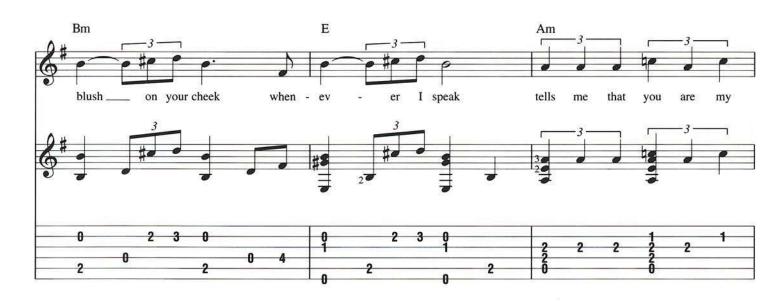
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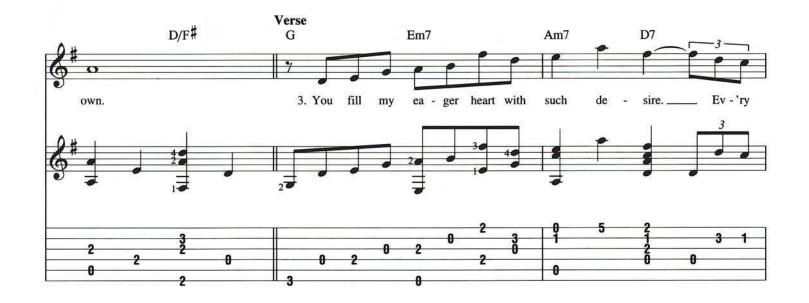


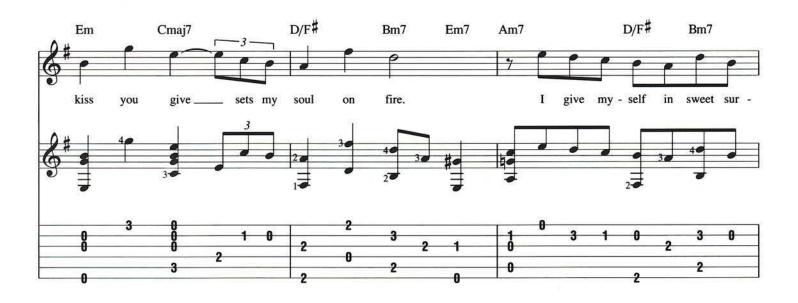
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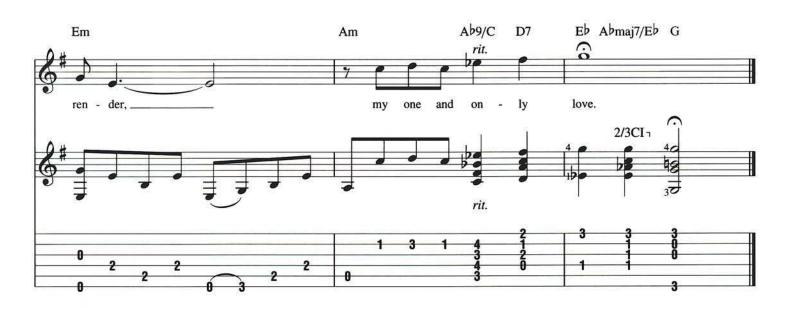












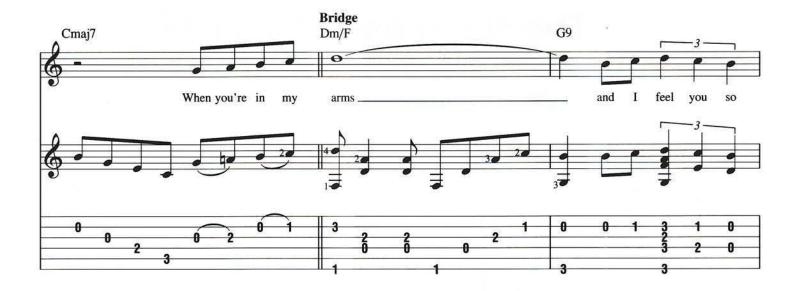
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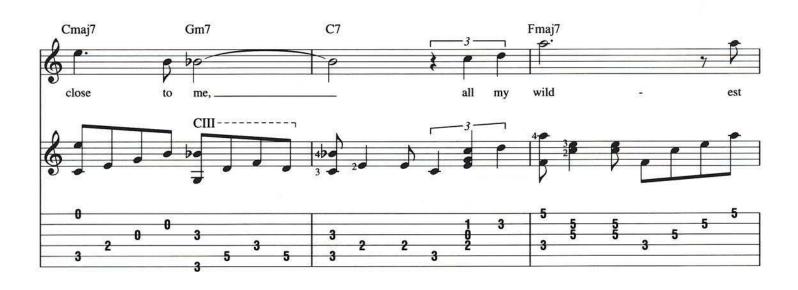
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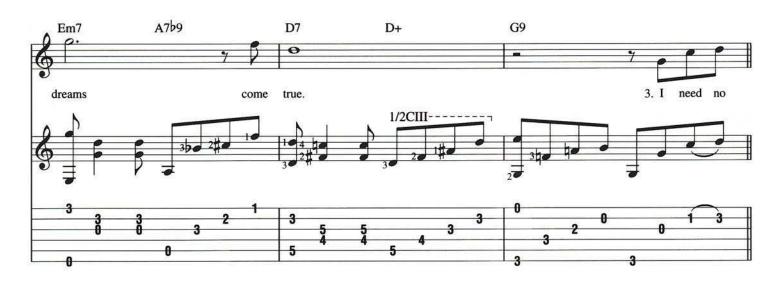
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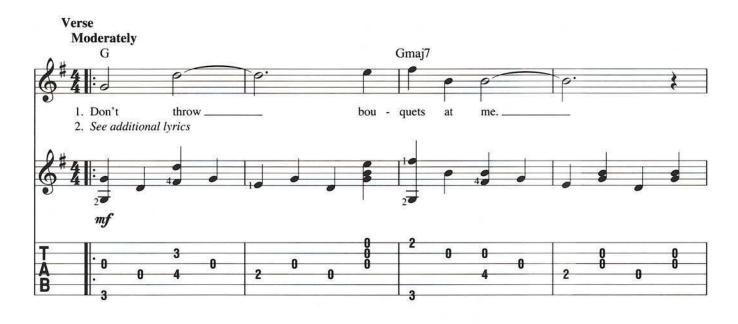


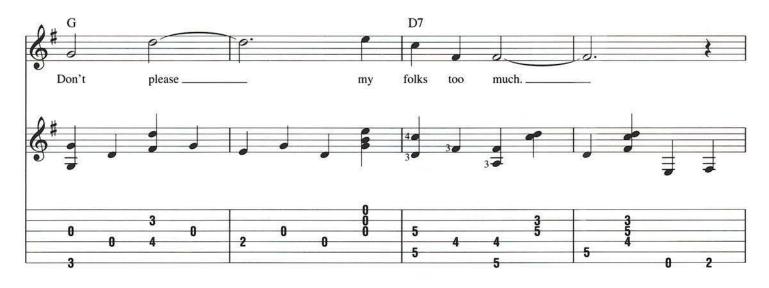


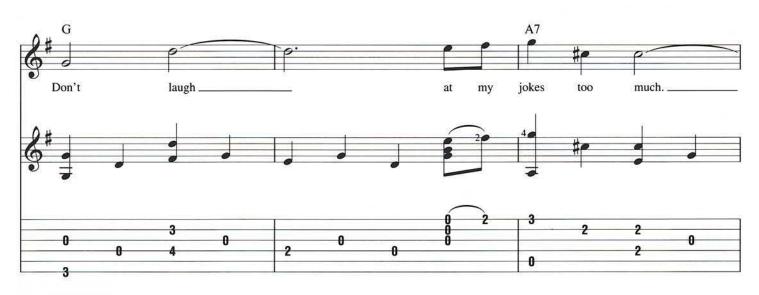


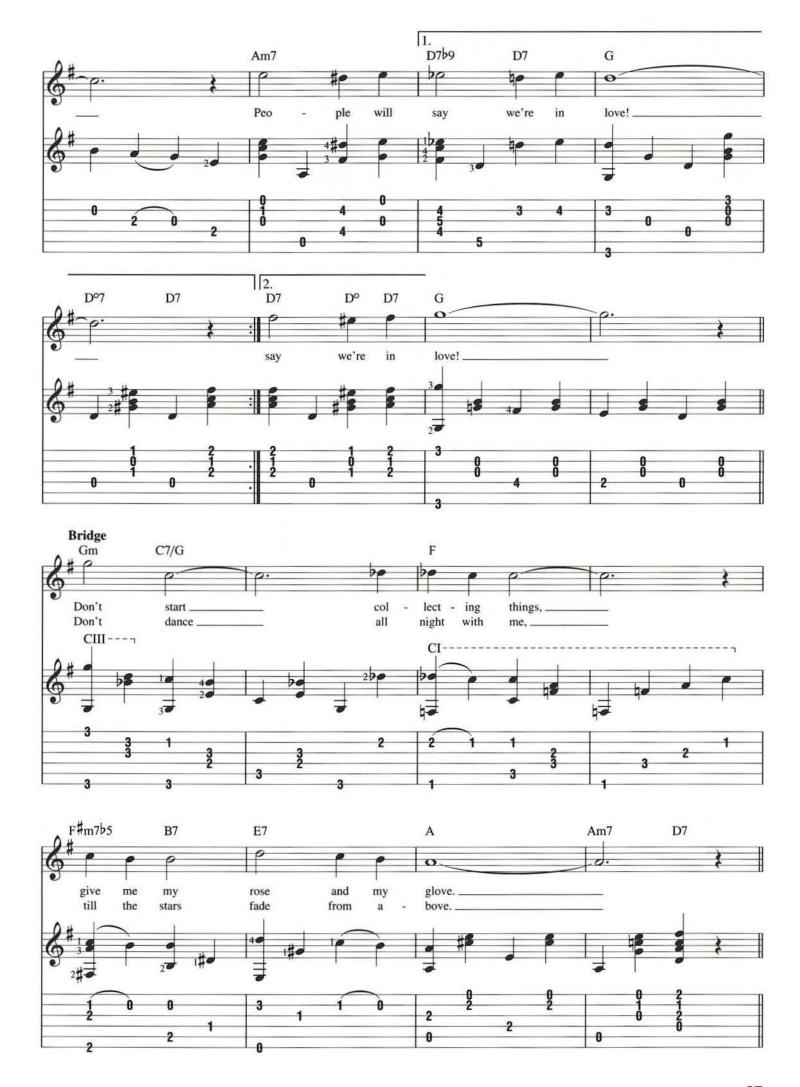
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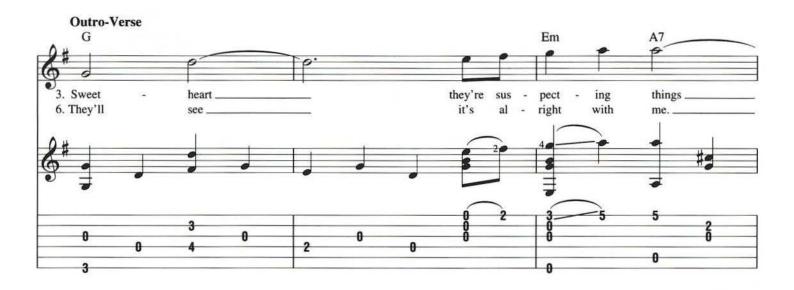
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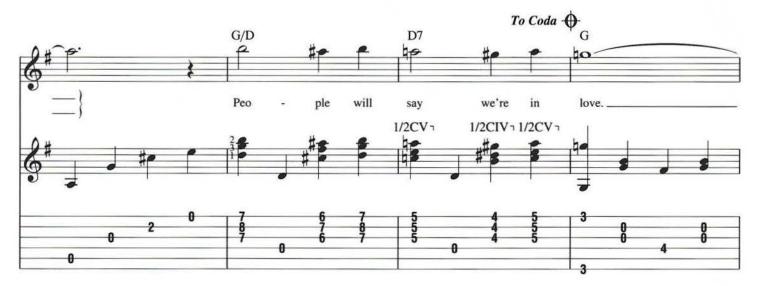


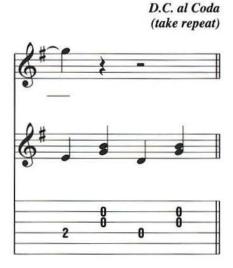


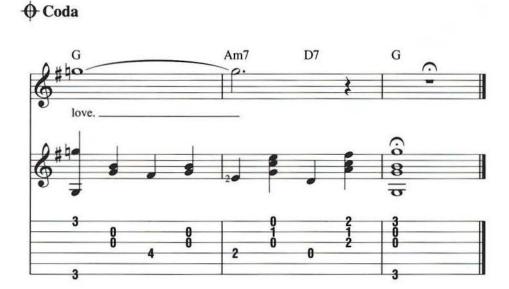












Additional Lyrics

- Don't sigh and gaze at me.
 Your sighs are so like mine.
 Your eyes mustn't glow like mine.
 People will say we're in love!
- 4. Don't praise my charm too much. Don't look so vain with me. Don't stand in the rain with me. People will say we're in love!
- Don't take my arm too much.
 Don't keep your hand in mine.
 Your hand feels so grand in mine.
 People will say we're in love!

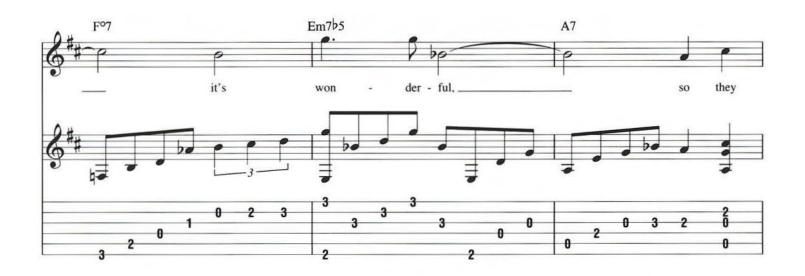
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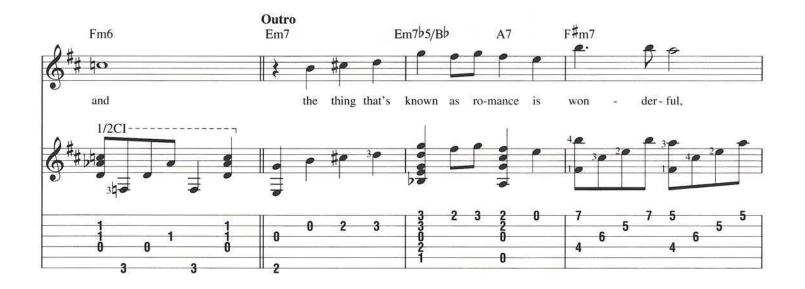
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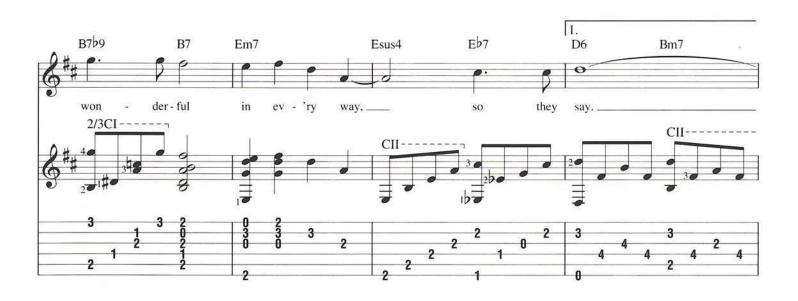
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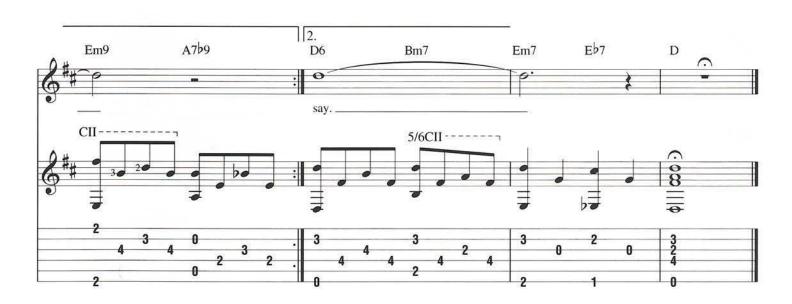






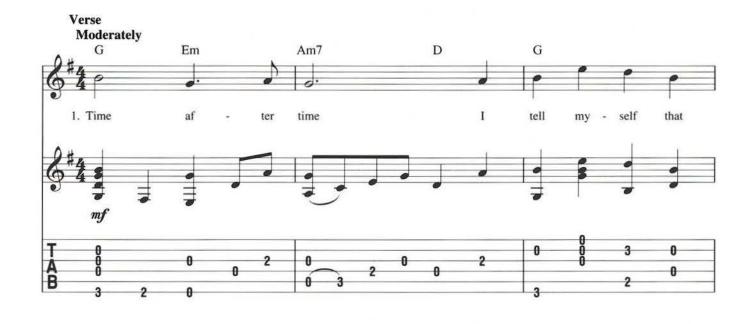


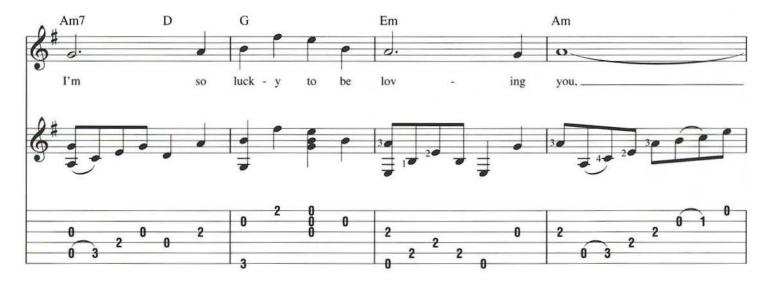


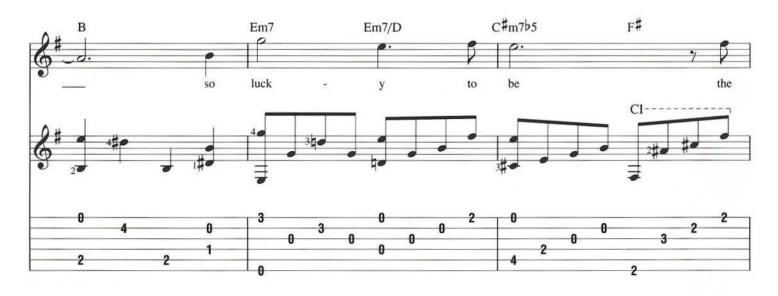


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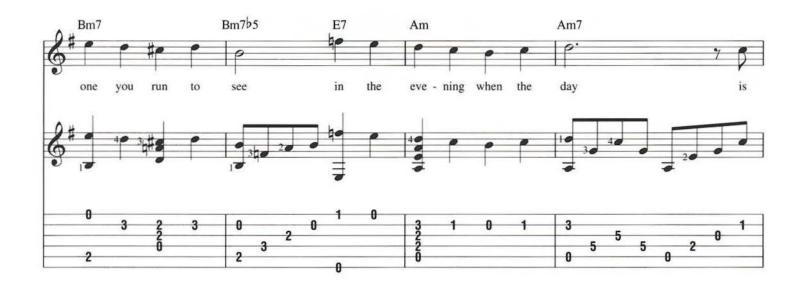
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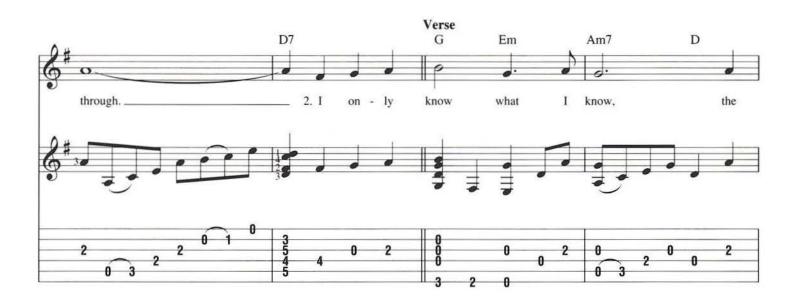


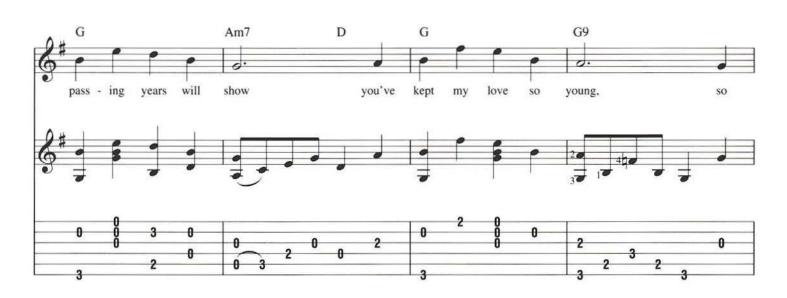


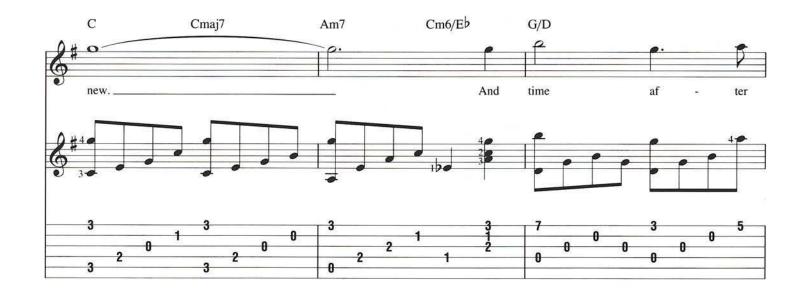


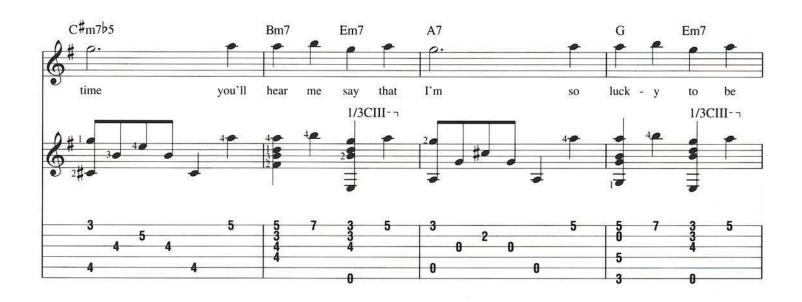
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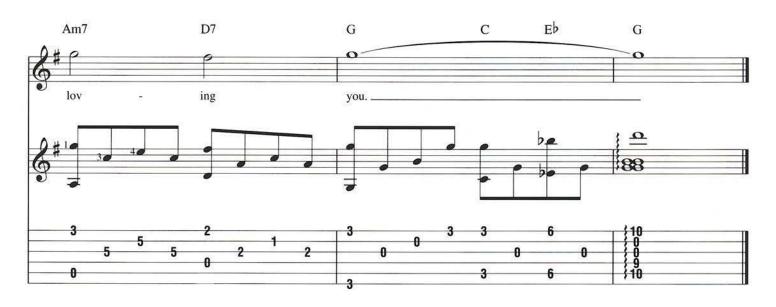












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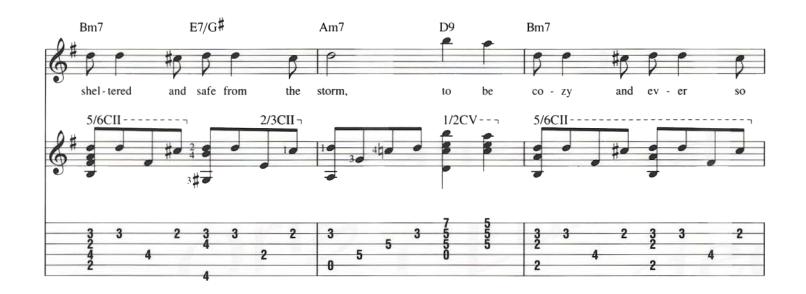
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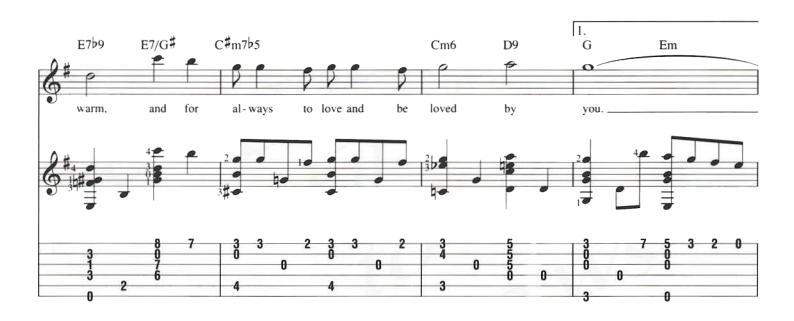
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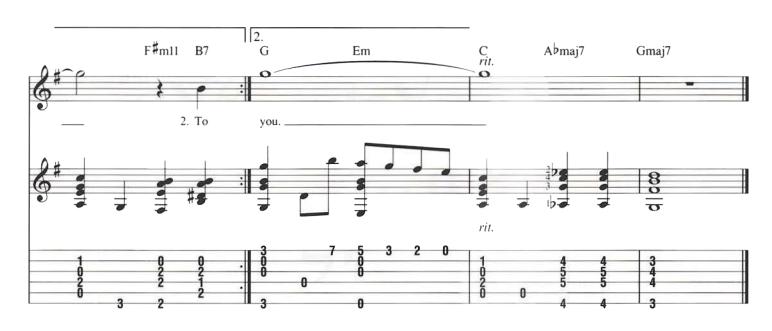


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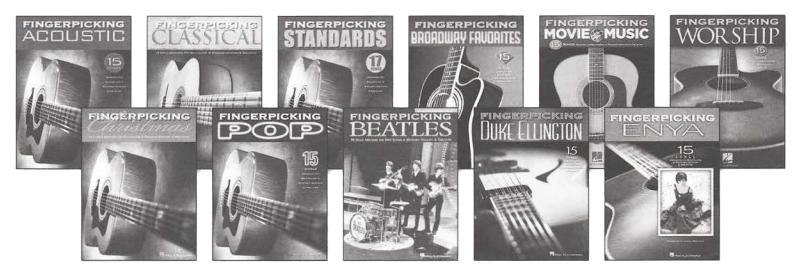






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